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The other came a few days after our fire. A young girl emptied her piggy bank and asked her parents to take her up to Bryan. There on my desk, she carefully laid out the precious contents of her bank - all she had - to help Bryan College rebuild.

Gifts like these make me aware that God is moving in the hearts of so many to invest in His work at Bryan. We are in desperate need of financial help for Bryan College right now. Please ask our Lord how you can help. Your gift will make the difference for the college this year.

Thanks so much for being a part of the awesome work God is doing at Bryan College.

God bless always,

William E. Brown
President

There is nothing permanent except change.

-Heracitus (500 B.C.)

Who Ate My Cheese?

by Dr. William E. Brown

When the world entered the atomic age, an odd combination of giddiness and terror swept through: giddiness because man had conquered infinitely small particles to unleash infinitely large power; terror because we saw that power used to bring horrific, widespread destruction without warning.

After Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Albert Einstein was so disturbed by the radical changes he saw coming he sent a telegram to *The New York Times* addressed to the American people. He warned, "The unleashed power of the atom has changed everything except our modes of thinking and we thus drift toward unparalleled catastrophe."

Einstein's warnings are being raised again. Worldwide fears of widespread destruction and indiscriminant terror are with us. Have we changed our modes of thought to manage the rapid transformations?

But change at the global level competes for attention with the changes we face at the personal level. In fact, personal change is the flash-point for our culture and handling it is big business. The number one book dealing with change

Spencer Johnson's *Who Moved My Cheese?* which remains a best-seller after four years on

the market. Johnson describes our "cheese" as a metaphor for what we want to have in life, usually personal or social goals. When our cheese gets "moved" by circumstances or people, we react in different ways. Using mice as examples of possible responses, Johnson summarizes it this way:

Sometimes we act like

Sniff

Who sniffs out change early, or

Scurry

Who scurries into action, or

Hem

Who denies and resists change as he fears it will lead to something worse, or

Haw

Who learns to adapt in time when he sees changing leads to something better!

Managing our lives in the face of unrelenting change is the challenge of our age. From a biblical perspective, there are two basic truths about change.



God does not change. . .

The gods of the Greek and Roman pantheons were capricious and unpredictable. They were pictures of fickle humans drawn to a divine scale. Even the Muslim view of God presents Him as unpredictable. Norman Geisler writes that the Islamic Allah is " . . . arbitrary about what is right and wrong. He does not have to do good. He does not have to be loving to all; he could hate if he chose to do so."

But the biblical God never changes His essence or His plans: "I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed" (Malachi 3:6). Quite unlike other religions, the true God is unchangeable and we can rely on the constancy of who He is and on the certainty of what He has promised.

. . . but everything else does change

Most of us have a hard time with change. In 1970, futurist writer Alvin Toffler made the well-known observation, "Man has a limited biological capacity for change. When this capacity is overwhelmed, the capacity is in future shock."

We live in a world that changes so quickly that sometimes we want to call a moratorium on change just so we can catch our breath. But that will never happen. It is no longer a matter of *if* things change but *when* (and how much and how quickly). The most important issue is how we will respond.

Some try so hard to resist change that they end up ruining life for others. John Steinbeck once noted, "It is the nature of a man as he grows older . . . to protest against change, particularly change for the better." We often are afraid of the future and we withdraw into what is comfortable and familiar. The result is a narrowing view of God, the world, and the future. "It's the most unhappy people who most fear change," says writer and journalist Mignon McLaughlin.

The only way to stay the same is to change

A man I knew had a very successful ministry in the 1950's. Hundreds of young people gathered wherever he spoke and responded enthusiastically to his challenges. When I met him in the 1980's, he was a bitter man. He was still using the same methods that worked effectively thirty years before but no one was responding. He complained that youth had become godless and self-centered and he had nothing good to say about ministries that were reaching youth at that time.

The problem that escaped him was not that his message needed to change, just his methods. Being effective in a



Dr. Brown is president of Bryan College. His first wife, Mary, is his wife. He is preparing to assume the presidency of Cedarville University.

changing society means that we must change how we respond to it. Those who have long and faithful ministries are students both of God's Word and God's world. The Apostle Paul leaves little room for doubt when he proclaims, "I make myself a slave to everyone in order that I may win them" (1

Corinthians 9:19). Our goal in ministry is not to get the world to change so they can respond to the message, but that they respond to the message so they can be changed.

In fact, change is the essential feature of God's good news. God's plan has been unfolding and we see the changes He intended through Christ: "For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ" (John 1:17). His message is that we must change in order to become like little children lest we be excluded from His Kingdom (Matthew 18:3). In fact, the future for all of God's children involves an incredible change in our very natures (1 Corinthians 15:51-52).

Go Ahead: Eat the Cheese!

Change may be inevitable, but that doesn't mean that we should try to change things just because they are going to change anyway. Change for the sake of change is usually daft and frequently destructive. There is enough change going on without our help.

At the personal level, whatever change we allow in our lives must be from God's leading. We are called to be content and faithful in our lives, but not so comfortable that we are deaf to God's voice. If there are changes God desires, He usually makes it very clear.

If God desires change, it is always for good reasons with our best in mind. We are experiencing this at Bryan College. Change may be hard during the process of changing but it is inherently exciting because it means that God is at work. Sometimes change is the only way God gets our attention.

There is not much we can do about the whirlwind of change in the world. In spite of the uncertainties and fears, God's care and oversight are our strength. We know how everything turns out in the end so we never crumble. We are (literally) eternal optimists. Our privilege is to focus on being sensitive to the culture around us so we can communicate with clarity and compassion. It is about them, not us.

We are called to be salt and light *in the world*. We are determined to be open to how we live, how we serve, and how we think.

Maybe even Einstein would be impressed. 🏠



Alumni celebrate Hall of Fame



Danny Reid, son of Timothy and Bonnie Reid of Melbourne, Fla., was elected king and Sasha Morgan, daughter of Paul and Carol Morgan of Salem, Ore., was elected queen of the 2002 Bryan College homecoming Oct. 5. Danny is a senior business administration/management major and Sasha is a senior Christian education/youth ministry major.



Nick Senter of Lookout Mountain, Tenn., was named an honorary alumnus of the college during homecoming in recognition of his long-time support of the college, which included in recent years underwriting improvements to the athletics facilities and re-establishment of the baseball program. Mr. Senter's family has been involved with the college since its early days. Pictured, from left, are Mr. Senter, Stewardship and Alumni Ministries Director Brett Roes, President Bill Brown, and Alumni Association President Steve Stewart.

Hundreds of Bryan College alumni and their families gathered for a "Hall of Fame Homecoming" celebration Oct. 3 to 6 to reconnect with friends and celebrate creation of the college's athletics Hall of Fame. Activities included a sacred assembly on Thursday, alumni golf tournament and Builders Commission banquet on Friday, class cluster reunions and Hall of Fame banquet on Saturday, and a worship service on Sunday.

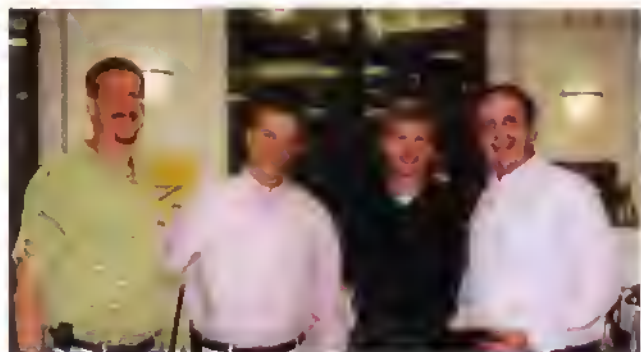


Bryan College installed the first members of the Athletics Hall of Fame during Homecoming 2002, recognizing men and women for their athletic achievements and contribution to the college. Pictured, from left, front, are Anthony Revis, '76, baseball; Tom Potter, '76, cross country; and Chuck Grant, '76, men's soccer. Back are President Bill Brown; Wayne Dixon, '64, coach; Bob Spoede, '85 Honorary, athletics director; Shannon Law Dancilla, '88, women's basketball; Dean Ropp, '81, men's basketball; Susan Efrid Bracken, '91, accepting the award for her late sister, Ann Efrid Faggart, '88, volleyball; and Stewardship and Alumni Ministries Director Brett Roes.



Sandy and Sharon Zensen were named honorary alumni of the college during homecoming in recognition of their years of commitment to and support of the college and its mission. Sandy serves as athletics director and head men's soccer coach and Sharon is the switchboard operator. Pictured, from left, are Sharon Zensen, Stewardship and Alumni Ministries Director Brett Roes, President Bill Brown, Sandy Zensen, and Alumni Association President Steve Stewart.

Homecoming



David Sporde, '78, an attorney in Dallas, Texas, was recognized as the *Alumnus of the Year* during homecoming in October. David was recognized for his personal and professional achievement and his commitment to the college. Pictured, from left, are Alumni Association President Steve Stewart, Director of Stewardship and Alumni Ministries Brett Roes, President Bill Brown, and the honoree.



Don and Iris Efird of Kannapolis, N.C., were named honorary Bryan alumni during homecoming in recognition of their years of commitment to and support of the college and its mission. Mr. Efird has served as a trustee of the college for 33 years, and the couple's seven children are all Bryan alumni. Pictured, from left, are President Bill Brown, Stewardship and Alumni Ministries Director Brett Roes, Alumni Association President Steve Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. Efird.

Coming to Visit



The Bryan Worldview Teams will be at the following locations:

Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12

Woodland Park Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Jan. 25

Crossroads Christian Fellowship, Moody, Ala.

Feb. 3

Landmark Christian School, Lilburn, Ga.

Feb. 7

Prince Avenue Christian School, Athens, Ga.

Feb. 21-23

First Baptist Church, Hokes Bluff, Ala.

Feb. 28-March 2

Westwood Baptist Church, Cleveland, Tenn.

March 7-9

Heritage Academy, Gainesville, Ga.

March 10

Calvary Christian Academy, Columbus, Ga.

March 14-15

Northeast Park Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Fla.

The Bryan Chorale will be in Florida, Georgia, and Alabama during spring break, March 7-15, 2003. Cities on the tour include Atlanta and Columbus, Ga.; Pensacola and Panama City, Fla.; Dothan, Enterprise, Pell City, and Anniston, Ala. Alumni in these areas should look for a mailing with details about the Chorale's concerts in the spring.



ON THE AIR with WMBW

Bryan President Dr. William E. Brown, right, and WMBW Radio Program Director Andy Napier talk during WMBW's broadcast from Bryan College in September. The Chattanooga, Tenn., affiliate of the Moody Broadcasting Network, presented interviews with students, an audio tour of the library and student center, and promotions for campus events during its afternoon "drive time" program.

THE SPORTS PAGE



MICHALSKI SEEKS CONSISTENCY FROM BASKETBALL LIONS

An early-season victory over nationally ranked Bluefield has Coach Morris Michalski hoping his Lions' basketball team is in for a special year.

Before the Bluefield game – the fourth contest of the season – he said he was looking for consistency from his players. "This year we have 14 on the team; our depth is better than the last couple of years and our talent is a little better. But we have to have good chemistry, shoot the ball better, and handle the ball well."

The coach is looking to seniors Brett Wright, Josh Locy, and Blake Bohler for leadership this year, and is counting on juniors Chris Travis, Dillon McElroy, and Gene Henley for offensive firepower.

As he sorts through the various player combinations seeking the right chemistry on the court, Coach Michalski is convinced that his bench will be a critical factor in the team's success. "We have a brutal schedule," he said. "To be successful, we have to make sure our bench is better than the other team's bench, and make the other team play into their bench too. The energy and speed we play must make both teams go to the bench."

The team has adopted "Let's Roll" as its theme for the year. "We chose that in the spirit of what Todd Beamer was trying to do – go after something much bigger than one's self, doing something big, brave, mighty."

Some of those challenges include a road visit to Bluefield as well as games against Tennessee Wesleyan, King, Montreat, and Virginia-Wise.

But the first conference challenge is to play better at home. "Last year, we had great accomplishments on the road. We need to play better at home," he said.

If the Bluefield game is any indication, maybe the Lions are rolling toward that goal.

Coach Morris Michalski, who has coached the Lions' basketball team for 15 years, is looking for consistency from his players. This year we have 14 on the team; our depth is better than the last couple of years and our talent is a little better. But we have to have good chemistry, shoot the ball better, and handle the ball well.

LIONS SOCCER TEAM

Despite a rash of injuries, Bryan's men's soccer team managed to improve its overall record to 12-6-1 before heading into the playoffs, an accomplishment Coach Sandy Zensen says is significant.

"Of the original four starting defenders, we only had one left at the end of the season, and for a while he was gone too," the coach said. "I thought we had depth at the start of the season, but in the last six games we played with only 12 players and only two or three of the original starters."

"The positive side is that a lot of kids got a lot of playing time we hadn't planned on. That's an investment in the future."

The coach said the regular-season results are "about what I had wanted. Watching the team come together, I thought we would have been a little better than last year (10-7 and sixth in the conference)."

Dr. Zensen said he thinks the game with Union College (Ky.) was the Lions' best. Union came to Dayton as the pre-season pick to win the Appalachian Athletic Conference title, but escaped the Lions with a 3-3 tie, thanks to a goal in the final 15 seconds of regulation play. "Shortly after that, our injuries started."

At the end of the season, Lions earning special recognition included: Jamal Marshall and Josh Ray, All-AAC first team; Danny Harvey and Jason Blair, All-AAC second team; and Henry Barrios, Danny Harvey, Jordan Mattheiss, and Mark Ramsey Academic All-Conference. Josh, Jamal, and Jason were named to the NCCAA Mid-East Region team, and Coach Zensen was named NCCA Mid-East Region Coach of the Year.

The team also won the first Champions of Character Award for the AAC. Recipients of the new award, sponsored by the NAIA, are selected by conference coaches in recognition of teams that demonstrate the NAIA's core values of responsibility, respect, servant leadership, sportsmanship, and integrity.

VOLLEYBALL TEAM

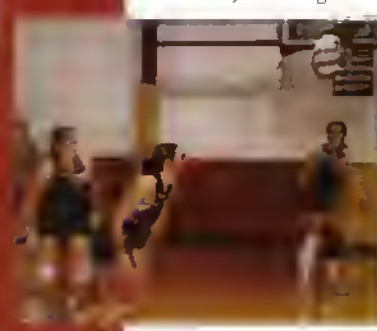
The Lady Lions volleyball team finished the season with a 15-3 conference record, the highest finish in its history. Coach Jerri Morgan said a fast-paced offense executed our plan better than we expected.

She said that while Brook and Laura contribute. That's a good thing. Brook and Laura are court but they want to be better.

Even as the seniors, Brook and Laura are still learning. The girls approach the game differently. Brook is a highlight. One of the highlights we had was Brook King.

As the season ends, Brook was named All-Tournament Athlete.

Coach Morgan was proud of the team. Laura was named to the All-Tournament team.



Lions Basketball Schedule

11/1	Crichton	HOME
11/2	Asbury	H
11/5	Atlanta Christian	H
11/8	Bluefield*	H
11/12	TN Temple	AWAY
11/16	Alice Lloyd*	A
11/19	Covenant*	A
11/23	Univ. VA-Wise	H
11/25	Lee Univ.	A
12/3	Union*	A
12/7	Milligan*	H
12/10	TN Temple	H
12/12	TN Wesleyan*	H
12/14	Carson-Newsman	A
1/6	TN Tech. Univ.	A
1/10	Bluefield*	A
1/11	Univ. VA-Wise*	A
1/14	VA Intermont*	A
1/17	Brevard*	H
1/20	Oakwood	H
1/23	King*	H
1/25	Milligan*	A
1/28	Covenant*	H
2/1	Alice Lloyd*	H
2/7	Brevard*	A
2/8	Montreat*	A
2/11	King*	A
2/13	TN Wesleyan*	A
2/15	VA Intermont*	H
2/18	Union*	H
2/22	Montreat*	H
2/26-3/1	AAC Tournament	
3/12-3/18	NAIA National Tournament	
3/20-22	NCCAA National Tournament	

*denotes AAC Conference game
Bold denotes home game

LADY LIONS ADVANCE TO NATIONALS

For the second year in a row the Lady Lions soccer team captured the NCCAA Mid-East Region title and earned a berth in the national championship tournament.

The Lady Lions lost both games at the national tournament, but Coach Marc Neddo said he was encouraged by their effort.

Coach Neddo said his team "didn't sit on their accomplishments from last year, but went out and did better." "Better" included a record of 13-6 before the national tournament, up from 10-6-1 a year ago. Their record includes two shut-outs in the regional tournament, winning 4-0 against Kentucky Christian and 5-0 against Oakland City.

"Last year was our best season ever, and this year was even better," Coach Neddo said. The success came despite losing three seniors to graduation, a fourth player who transferred as school began, and the loss to injury of midfielder Aubre Mjølhus.

"The players never wavered on the goal of reaching the conference playoffs and the NCCAA nationals," he said.

This year's team was anchored by a defense that allowed an average of only 1.1 goals against per game, recording 11 shutouts in 19 games. "That's a testimony to the defense and to our goalkeeper. The goals-against record is the lowest we've ever had." Goalkeeper Mya Morrison was ranked fifth in the NCCAA for her efforts.

Of the six losses, four were against teams ranked or receiving votes for ranking in the top 25 in the nation. "Our whole season we were ranked in the top 10 in the NCCAA," the coach added.

While the defense was shining, the team also boasts the AAC Player of the Year in Abigail Snead, who scored 37 goals this season.

Abigail and Jenny Hughes were named to the AAC All-Conference first team, and Alicia Schulz, Katie Mowery, and Mya Morrison were named to the second team. Melissa Myers, Jenny Hughes, Rachel Palmer, Valerie Petitte, and Anna Hanger were named to the All-Conference Academic team.

Abigail, Mya, Jenny, and Katie were named to the NCCAA All-Region first team, and Valerie and Alicia were named to the second team.

Coach Neddo said he is losing four players - Mya, Jenny, Valerie, and Rachel - to graduation, and two others plan to transfer at the end of this year, so he has already begun recruiting to fill those vacancies.



Lady Lions players pose for a photo after the team's victory in the NCCAA Mid-East Region championship tournament. The Lady Lions captured the NCCAA Mid-East Region title for the second year in a row.

regular season in second place in the Appalachian Athletic Conference with a 17-7 record overall in 13 years.

Improved skills contributed to the Lions' success. "We played better volleyball this year. We better, our level of play stepped up."

There has been good leadership from seniors Brook Fleming and Laura Smith, "the whole team going to see."

"I've taken leadership to heart," she said. "They want to see the team successful not just on the field but see the girls please the Lord with the way they play."

Provided leadership, the rest of the team contributed hard work from the opening of the season. "The season working hard and I think it surprised everybody how well it came together. The number stepping up."

The team was defeating King, the top-ranked conference team. "It had been a long time, since the team lost a conference game in four years, and that's the only one they have lost so far."

Brook, Laura, Randi Mellon, and Anna Rusch earned spots on the NCCAA Mid-East All-Region team and Brook and Anna were named NCCAA Scholar

named AAC Coach of the Year, and Brook and Laura were named to the AAC All-Conference team. Brook, Laura, Randi, and Anna were named AAC Scholar Athletes.



LADY LIONS BASKETBALL ON FAST TRACK

Strong defense, a fast-paced offense, and a team that works together should be the characteristics of the Lady Lions' basketball team trying to build on last year's success, new Coach Matt Bollant said as the season tipped off.

"I want fans to see a team that works as a family, believes in one another, and worships the Lord through their play," he said.

A year ago, the Lady Lions raced to a 25-8 record and a berth in the NCCAA national tournament. The coach believes a repeat is possible. "I want the girls to play as hard as they can play, with the bench cheering the players on the floor. We'll run a fast-paced game, push for transitional layups. I believe we can be as good or better than last year's team."

He is counting on Katie White, Liz Bass, and Sarah Bass, the captains, to provide a vocal leadership to encourage excellence from his charges.

Coach Bollant said Valerie and Stephanie Huttenhoff "have improved from last seasons. They bring intensity to practice and games." Katie White and Katie Strunk are showing improvement that will be significant to the team's success.

At the same time, Holly Davis, Talor Armstrong, Kesha Sutton, and Kimmie Hill will provide depth for the squad.

"For us to have a chance to vie for the conference championship, we will have to be a good defensive team," the coach said. "I want that to be our identity. It's much easier to concentrate on the offense end and go through the motions on defense. The way to separate ourselves from other teams is to be sound defensively."

Coach Bollant, in his first season at Bryan after two years as an assistant coach at Indiana University, said the adjustment to the smaller school hasn't been difficult. "You can pursue quality and excellence at any level," he said. "If we do that, we can have a special season. The biggest difference for me is the facilities and the atmosphere at the game."

Lady Lions Basketball Schedule

		HOME AWAY
11/2	Midway	
11/5	Knoxville	
11/8	Bluefield	H
11/12	TN Temple	A
11/14	Toccoa Falls	H
11/16	Alice Lloyd	A
11/19	Covenant	A
11/23	Univ. VA-Wise	H
11/25	Belmont	A
12/3	Union	A
12/5	Lee Univ.	H
12/7	Milligan	H
12/10	TN Temple	H
12/12	TN Wesleyan	H
12/14	Knoxville	H
1/6	Southern Poly Tech	H
1/10	Bluefield	A
1/11	VA Intermont	A
1/14	Univ. VA-Wise	A
1/17	Brevard	H
1/20	Oakwood	H
1/23	King	H
1/25	Milligan	A
1/28	Covenant	H
2/1	Alice Lloyd	H
2/7	Brevard	A
2/8	Montreat	A
2/11	King	A
2/13	TN Wesleyan	A
2/15	VA Intermont	H
2/18	Union	H
2/22	Montreat	H
2/26 - 3/1	AAC Tournament	
3/12-18	NAIA National Tournament	

Bold denotes home games



Jon Tubbs:

Managing Risk With a Mission

For Jon Tubbs, '81, risk is part and parcel of his life. As a financial planner, he and his clients are investing money in hopes that wealth will increase. At the same time, with an investment comes the possibility that wealth might decrease.

"One of my jobs as a planner is to manage risk, to get the highest return with the least amount of risk as a client works toward a financial goal," he explained. "In my job, I have to keep my clients' eyes focused on the big picture. That's hard in a society of 30-second sound bites and instant gratification."

Strangely enough, his Bryan College history degree helps him keep the big picture in mind. "Even though I'm not using my history major directly, it taught me to think critically, to analyze, to look at cause and effect," he said. "In my business, there is a need to do a lot of that. Even though we didn't put the 'worldview' label on it then, we were taught to understand the world we live in. My Bryan education certainly helped develop my ethics and values as a financial planner."

Other exciting lessons have been learned through his involvement with Gap Prison Ministries, an organization dedicated to discipling prison inmates who then become missionaries themselves while incarcerated. (See the Gap Ministries website at www.gapprisonministries.org.)

One of those lessons he has learned came from an inmate named Steven, who serves as vice president of Gap Ministries. "Our material-

istic society pushes us to want everything that the world offers in the way of wealth. If God hasn't blessed financially that way, we still want to live that way," he said. "But with my relationship with Steven, I see that he has nothing materially but is rich in Christ. That has really focused me again."

The ability to minister is a driving passion for Jon to encourage everyone – particularly believers – to get out of debt. "That's why we as believers shouldn't be in debt, so we can use our money to help others. If we are in debt, we can't do that." Along with being debt-free, "I have a passion to encourage people to give back – to the church, to missions. For example, if you can retire at 55 or 60 and have accumulated substantial assets you could go to the mission field and be self-supporting."

Jon said he believes all of life is a risk in one way or another, which should drive believers to trust the Lord in every area of their lives. He and his wife, Linda (Mencees, '82), left their home in Rochester, N.Y., five years ago to move to Knoxville, Tenn. "We took a big risk moving down here," he said. "A lot of doors opened, but I was afraid to go through them. For a month we wrestled over what to do, and finally decided to trust the Lord and do it. In the past five years I have been blessed in so many ways."

"In all that we do, we need to keep the Lord's will in focus. If we're walking with Him, we can look at the big picture and know things are going to work out." ■



President of the Alumni Association
James Sheehy
April 2000

Suite-Tracking

When was the last time you spoke to one of your college roommates or suitemates?

Tracking down an old roomie can be a real blast! This is especially true if you haven't spoken to one another in decades. Over the course of the past four years, I have either spoken or visited with most of my former roommates and suitemates. What a riot! In most cases, what I found was not at all what I expected....

My roommate of 3.5 years, voted most likely to settle down, Sonny Beckham, is still single, an account executive with Humana Health Care Systems, and a bass singer for an incredible quartet from Jacksonville, Fla. While touring through Europe, again, he sent me a lousy post card. Go figure.


My first roommate, voted most likely to be the next president of IBM, and the first Texan I ever met, was Pat Ryan. Pat married his sweetheart, has a beautiful family and is an executive with Sherwin Williams in - you guessed it - Dallas, Texas. It took me about 15 seconds of rooming with Pat to figure out that Texans are very proud of their state, a lesson that has come in very handy over the years.

Then there's Jeff Woodman, voted most likely to be a movie star, who as it turns out, is the most optimistic guy on the planet. Jeff lives in Charlotte, N.C., and builds mega-gazillion-dollar houses. Before he became president of Chastain Homes, Inc., Jeff worked for Delta Airlines, traveled the world, and became a certified commercial jet pilot. In all his travels around the globe,

he never did send me a post card. Go figure.

The suitemate hardest to find was Jitendra Banerjia of Calcutta, India. Jitendra was voted most likely to become a college professor. The last time I saw Jitendra was on his graduation day in 1986. Since then, he earned an MBA and worked several years in international business. Jitendra, or Jay, as he goes by these days, is the principal broker of a large real estate firm in Ontario, Canada. He and his wife, Molly, who was also raised in India, own Exit Realty Experts of Scarborough. Jay is an entrepreneur's entrepreneur. Go figure.

After these guys moved out, the guy voted most likely to stay single, Blaine Hess, moved in. Blaine and his lovely wife, Lisa, have traveled the country with Page Net Communications. Blaine is a walking miracle in the truest sense of the word. After surviving what most experts deemed an un-survivable car accident, Blaine completed a successful 15-year career in sales and management. Today, he attends seminary and is training to become a pastor. Go figure.

In the 1980's, who knew what God had in store for these guys and what their lives would bring. One thing was true for each of us - when we got together it was like we had never been apart. So...I want to encourage you to take the Suite-Tracking Challenge. Call your Alumni Ministries office today at 1-800-55-BRYAN and we will help you get in touch with one of your old "mates." Untold fun and surprises await. Go figure! 

A stylized signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the author of the article.

Finding an old roommate is a hoot - Go figure!

Lion Tracks

Fall 2002

L. ARLEN (AL) LACY, '56x, was featured on the cover of the devotional "Power for Living" May 12, 2002, issue. Since 1980 and after successful careers in banking, the pastorate, and evangelism, Dr. Lacy began writing western novels. The cover story described Dr. Lacy's success as a novelist as a tribute to his strength of character. His prolific career as an author has resulted in more than 90 books that have sold 6.2 million copies. Despite earlier sanctions from secular publishers, Al's success demonstrates that "God honors those who deny themselves, regardless of the cost for the sake of His Son," the article says. Al and his wife, Jo, reside in Eckert, Colo.

40's

ILA RUTH MAHR, '48, lives in Alta, Iowa, where she enjoys spending time with her niece's four children. Ila Ruth volunteers at their school during reading period. She also leads a ladies' Bible study at her local church.

50's

ERNIE, '52, and **LDIS (CARTWRIGHT)**, '54, **LEE** celebrated their Golden Anniversary in Dallas, Texas, on Aug. 3. All their children were present except for Joel and Virginia and their boys, who are serving with Wycliffe in the Solomon Islands.

MELVIN HOBSON, '55, and **SHIRLEY JURLISS**, '57, were married on May 25. Melvin and Shirley reside in Mansfield, Ohio.



Melvin and Shirley Hobson

60's

NAOMI GLOCK, '61x, has moved to Belize where she works as a literacy consultant for Wycliffe Bible Translators. She spent 33 years in Suriname, during which time the New Testament was translated into Saramiccan and many literacy books were prepared.



Naomi Glock

KENT and **Willina LUEB**, '63x, are serving as missionaries with "Hands to Serve" in the Netherlands.

70's

TIMOTHY NEFE, '75x, is working with "Helping International Students" ministries at Florida Atlantic University, while he and his family are on a sabbatical from their ministry in Brazil.

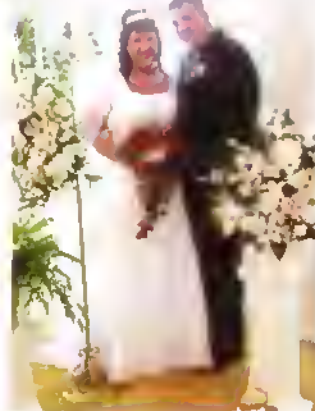
JOHN LACEY, '76, and his wife, Laura, are involved in weekly Bible studies with the Colorado Department of Corrections, at a minimum security prison. They also work with Kairos Prison Ministry leading a four-day course every six months.

VERNON (STEVE) STEVENSON, '79, and wife, Dorris, live in Czech Republic, where Steve serves with SEND International as the regional director of Europe.

80's

JACK (TAD) MAROON, JR., '80, and Patricia live in Crisfield, Md., where Tad is pastor of the First Baptist Church.

JULIE MILLER, '81x, and Christopher Moxey were married on April 20, in North Myrtle Beach, S. C. The couple lives in Mooresville, N. C.



Julie and Christopher Moxey

DWIGHT TALBOT, '83, lives in Fairmont, W.Va., and

is teaching at Fellowship Baptist Church.

ODALIS (GDNZALEZ) MIEDEMA, '83, and her husband, Gary, live in Holland, Mich. Odalis practices family medicine and is medical director at the community health center in Holland.

Vilim and MARY (TUCKER) SIMCIC, '84x, with their children, Karolina, 4, and Gabriella, 1, have moved to Knoxville, Tenn.

JERRY and CINDY (WILLIAMSON) WALKER, '84, and their family, have been serving in Papua New Guinea as missionaries with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

DARIN GREGG, '89, has accepted the position of constituency response representative for *Focus on the Family* and has moved to Colorado Springs, Colo.

Eric and **DENISE (WAGNER) MILLER**, '89, announce the birth of Christopher Wagner on July 21. Christopher joins his big brothers Luke, 4, and Eric, 7. Denise and her family reside in Beaver Falls, Pa.

TOM SHANLEY, '89, recently was promoted to marketing manager for Dodge in Daimler Chrysler's Southeast region. Tom and his family have relocated from Maryland to Orlando, Fla.

90's

JENNIFER (JONES) DIAZ, '90, and her husband, Eric, are living in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where Jennifer coaches basketball at Broward Community College.

MARK, '92, and **DENISE (STOKES)**, '92x, **SMITH**, announce the birth of their daughter, Maddie. She joins her big brother Caleb, 2. The Smith family resides in Grand Rapids, Mich.

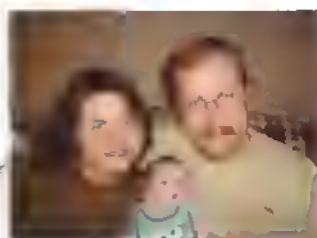
MARVIN BUNN, '92, visited Bryan College campus this summer. He lives in Atoka, Tenn., where he is a police

officer for the city of Millington.

PAUL, '92, and Terri **WHISNANT** announce the arrival of their daughter, Christina Anna, on Aug. 10. Christina joins her big brother, Samuel, 4. Paul and his family serve as missionaries to Belize.

DEREK, '92x, and **CANDACE (ROCKEY)**, '91, **REAM**, are missionaries with UFM International serving Immanuel Hospital in Mulia, Paupa. They have two children, Danielle, 7, and Ben, 4.

KOLLEEN (HOEY), '93, and David **LONG** announce the birth of their first child, Ethan Lamar, on Aug. 7. Kolleen has resigned from her job as a writer/editor to take care of Ethan and to support David's ministry as a pastor. The family resides in Brownstown, Pa.



Kolleen, Ethan, and David Long

MICHAEL, '93x, and **JULIA (EDDLETON)**, '96, **CDLLOMS**, announce the birth of their son, Daniel, on May 29. Daniel weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 inches long. The Colloms family lives in Cleveland, Tenn.



Daniel Colloms

The Gilman and Edwards alumni families had a chance to vacation together this sum-

mer in Canada. Pictured in their cabin are, from left, front, Daniel, Kendall, and Brenna Gilman, and Tiffany Edwards. Back are **CHANIN (ASHWORTH)**, '93, Joe, and **CHRIS**, '94, **GILMAN**; Ellie, **ERIK**, '92, and Becky **EDWARDS**.



KEN, '94, and **SUSAN (DIEBOLD)**, '92, **HARRISON**, have relocated to Lancaster, S.C. Ken and Susan have four children: Ashlyn, 4; Scott, 3; Graham, 2; and Aleah, 8 months old.

KEVIN, '94, and **TONIA (McCLAFILIN)**, '94x, **NIEOERER** and their family have moved to Bessemer City, N.C., where Kevin is self-employed and Tonia is the director at First Wesleyan Preschool. They have three children: Victoria, 7; Dakota, 6; and Cheyenne, 1.

GINNY MCKINNEY, '95, and Tim Shank were married July 26, 1997. Their daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, was born May 29, 2002. The Shank family resides in Lynchburg, Va.



Caroline Shank

RANDY, '96, and Karen **GILBERT**, are teaching in the Dominican Republic. They are working with New Horizons Youth Ministries for at-risk

youth from the U.S.

CHET, '96x, and **ROBIN (SLOAN)**, '93, **CRDMER**, announce the birth of their daughter, Violet, on June 1. Chet, Robin, Cuyle, and Violet live in Anderson, S.C.

MICHAEL and **AMY (FLDYD) TERRELL**, both '96, live in Biloxi, Miss, where Michael is stationed at Keesler Air Force Base. He was graduated from law school at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and was commissioned an officer in the Air Force in October 2001. Amy stays at home with their son, Ethan, 2.

CHRIS, '97, and Dana **WOOD** announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Nicole, on Aug. 1. Grace weighed 6 lbs., 9 oz., and was 19.25 inches long. The Wood family lives in Simpsonville, S.C. Chris serves as vice president of development for Miracle Hills Ministries in Greenville, S.C.



Grace Wood

TIFFANY B. (SNYDER) JOHNSON, '98x, appeared on the cover of the August/September issue of Fit Pregnancy magazine, modeling maternity clothing. Tiffany and her husband, Sidney, reside in Miami, Fla.

JOHN GARLAND, '98, and Holly Smith were married Sept. 21. John and Holly reside in Dayton, Tenn., where John works for Lear Corp. as an operations manager.

MATTHEW HARGRAVES, '98, had a commentary on the social skill of homeschoolers published in *The Chattanooga Times Free*

Press, Aug. 25. Matthew is an attorney in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Philip and **JODY (WATTS)**, '98, **BUTTRAM** announce the birth of Lucas Kane, on Aug. 15. The Buttram family resides in Dayton, Tenn.



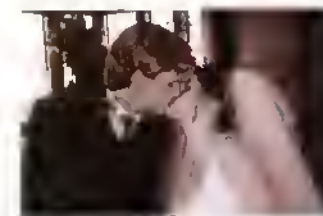
Lucas Buttram

Marty and **DAWN (SMITH)**, '99, **TERRELL** announce the birth of Karlee Grace, on Jan. 31. Dawn and her family reside in Charlotte, N.C.



DAVID WILKES and **KIMBERLEE ALLUM**, both '00, were married July 19, in Ohio. David and Kimberlee reside in Winston-Salem, N.C.

TYLER SIIRA, '00, and **STACIE NOURSE**, '02, were married July 5, in Kingston, Tenn. They live in Dayton, Tenn. Earlier this year they decided to legally reclaim the Finnish spelling of their last name, which was changed to "Seera" when Tyler's great-grandfather immigrated to the United States. Tyler is a son of **DAVID**, '74, and **BETTY RUTH (BARROWS)**, '74x, **SEERA** and a grandson of **WALTER SEERA**, '68.



Tyler and Stacie Siira

WAMP VISITS BRYAN



U.S. Representative Zach Wamp, standing, listens to a question during a luncheon with student members of Bryan's political society and their faculty and staff guests. Rep. Wamp spoke in chapel on his view of recent political events and how his faith in Christ influences his personal and political conduct. He discussed communication strategies with the political communication class, and was questioned at the luncheon on topics ranging from how to become involved in the political process to the political reality of compromise. Congressman Wamp, re-elected in November to his fifth term, represents Tennessee's Third Congressional District, which includes Rhea County and Bryan College.

SHANE MAXWELL, '00, and **HEIDI SEERA, '04x,** were married May 25. Three of Heidi's grandfathers, including **WALTER SEERA, '68,** officiated the garden ceremony at Heidi's home in Dayton, Tenn. Shane and Heidi live in College Grove, Tenn. Shane is a clinical research associate for Icon in Nashville, and Heidi teaches gymnastics at Let It Shine in Franklin. Heidi is the daughter of **DAVE, '74,** and **BETTY RUTH (BARROWS), '74x, SEERA.**



Shane and Heidi Maxwell

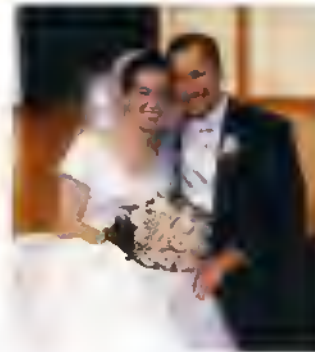
MOISES DRUMOND, '01, and Angel Weeks were married on Aug. 31, in Soddy-Daisy, Tenn. Moises teaches and coaches at Soddy-Daisy High School. The couple

resides in Chattanooga, Tenn.

CHRIS, '01, and **ANGIE (BRUEHL), '01x, O'KEEFE,** announce the birth of their second child, Hozanna Joy, on Aug. 28. Hozanna is the granddaughter of **JEFF, '76,** and Darlene **BRUEHL;** great-granddaughter of **DOROTHY BRUEHL, '96H;** and the niece of **JIM and JULIA (BRUEHL) TAYLOR, both '98;** and student Laura (Bruehl) Mann.

CHRISTINE OENNIS, '01, and current student Aaron St. Jacques were married May 25. The couple resides in Dayton, Tenn. Members of the Bryan family who attended the wedding included **JOHN and SUSAN (BAKER) OTT, '01;** **MARY MACLEAN, '00;** **JOSH MULLINS, '00;** **JENNIFER BERRY, '00;** **NATHANIEL and JULIE (BARFIELO) GOGGANS, '00;** **CHRIS BEAN, '00;** **MICHELLE RICH, '00;** **LAURA FOX-WORTH, '01;** **LYNNE BROWN, '91;** **KELLY STULTZ, '93;** **DONNA HOP-**

SON, '01; **ROBERT and PAULA (HEATHERSHAW) KENDALL, '02;** **MARK, '99,** and **RENAE (BEASLEY), '02,** **ANDERSON;** **MARTHA WEST, '02;** **DAVIO and ANNA (KELLOGG) HEN-OERSON, '02;** **DAN EVANS, '02;** **MICAH and JUDI (TOLIVER) ODOR, '01;** **RACHEL MIZELL, '01;** **TONI CELIUS, '01;** **MICHAEL BROWN, '01;** and Dr. Whit Jones; Sam Jones; Dr. Ron Pettite; Prof. Bernie and Donna Belisle; **BRUCE, '82,** and **JERRI (BECK), '92,** **MORGAN;** **OR. JEFF, '76,** and Darlene **BRUEHL;** Dr. Ray and **MARGIE, '95,** **LEGG;** Dr. Phil and Darlene Lestmann; students David West, Kimberly Berry, April Brown, Valerie Pettite, Jonathan Blalock, Whitney McChristian, Rachel Held, and Michael Landry.



Christine and Aaron St. Jacques

ROBERT KENDALL and PAULA HEATHERSHAW, both '02, were married Sept. 28, in Huntsville, Ala. The couple resides in Dayton, Tenn., where Robert is employed by the Operations Department at Bryan College.



Robert and Paula Kendall

TYLER MCWILLIAMS and CARRIE WILSON, both '02, were married July 13. Carrie is employed by the Dalton County Public Schools in Dalton, Ga. The couple resides in Dalton.

JONATHAN MOBLEY, '02, checked in from Switzerland. Jonathan is excited how God has been using him in ministry. He has had the opportunity to teach a Bible study to high school students and has recently had the opportunity to teach the youth at Westlake Church on Sunday nights.

CLINTON DONOUGH, '02, and **CHARIS BRICE, '03x,** were married Aug. 17, in Beaumont, Texas. The couple resides in Mount Lake Terrace, Wash., where Clinton is a leasing consultant for Equity Residential Properties.

With the Lord

Garner E. Hoyt, former professor of French and linguistics, died Sept. 27. He is survived by his son, Ronald Hoyt, and his brothers **LOWELL HOYT, '42,** and **SOLON HOYT, '43.**

CLEO (GRAHAM) FREY, '45, died Aug. 2. She is survived by her husband, **EMIL FREY, '57.**

MARGARET (MORGAN) WESTROM, '49, died Sept. 15. She is survived by her husband, **GEORGE WESTROM, '49x.**

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